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ALLOCATION OF POWER TO STATES
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has reduced the unallocated quota of power by 210 MW in February, 2006 from the Central Generating Stations of Gujarat State and restored only 55 MW in 2007;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government of Gujarat has represented for restoration of the remaining quota of 155 MW; and

(d) if so, the time by which the remaining quota is likely to be restored by the Government?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) to (d): The unallocated power of Central Generating Stations is limited and fixed.Allocations and modifications of allocation,within the States/UTs in the region and made generally keeping in view the emergent or seasonal nature of the requirement,the relative power supply position,utilization of existing generation and power resources,performance and payment capacity.

The allocation of power from unallocated power of Central Generating Stations (CGSs) in the Western Region (WR) and Eastern Region(ER) was revised in February 2006 and power to the tune of 151 MW was allocated to more deficit States/UTs in the Region by reducing the allocation of Gujarat and Goa,due to their relatively comfortable position.Subsequently,keeping in view the request of Gujarat for allocation of additional power and relative power supply position of constituents of Western Region,the unallocated power to Gujarat was enhanced by 5% (around 55 MW) in January, 2007.

The Government of Gujarat had requested for reinstating their unallocated power to the previous level.The reasons for reductions in the allocation had been communicated to the State Government.The allocation of unallocated power of CGSs is reviewed and revised from time to time as already indicated above.There is no quota earmarked for any particular State.